

# STANDARDS OF APPRENTICESHIP adopted by

# PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF BENTON COUNTY, IBEW #77 APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE

	(sponsor)		
Skilled Occupational Objective(s):		<u>DOT</u>	<u>Term</u>
STATION ELECTRICIAN		829.281-014	6000 HOURS
LINEMEN		821.261-014	7000 HOURS
METERMAN		729.281-014	6000 HOURS



# APPROVED BY Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council REGISTERED WITH

#### **Apprenticeship Section of Specialty Compliance Services Division**

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#### **APPROVAL:**

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NOTE: THE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM SHALL BE SPECIFIED TO THE INDIVIDUAL JOINT APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COMMITTEE AND ITS CRAFTS.

#### 1. GEOGRAPHICAL AREA COVERED:

The area covered by these Standards shall be the service area of Benton County P.U.D.

#### 2. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Applicants shall meet the following minimum qualifications:

Age: Minimum of 18 years.

Education: High school graduate or the equivalent. Physical Must be able to do the work of the trade

Testing: None.

Other: A current first aid card is required.

Exceptions may be made by the Apprenticeship Committee to the above qualifications if admission as an apprentice will benefit the applicant and the industry.

### 3. <u>CONDUCT OF PROGRAM UNDER WASHINGTON EQUAL EMPLOYMENT</u> OPPORTUNITY PLAN:

#### A. <u>Selection Procedures:</u>

Apprentices are selected from District employees. When apprentice openings exist, these openings are posted at each headquarters and notice is sent to Local - Union No. 77, IBEW. The top three applicants who meet the minimum qualifications will be tested, interviewed and evaluated by the Apprenticeship Committee. Testing procedures for Apprentice Linemen include passing the pre-apprenticeship program at Camp Rilea or other approved testing procedure which includes climbing power poles. Testing procedures for Apprentice Metermen and Apprentice Station Electricians include passing the approved qualifying standard.

The applicants will then be ranked by senior most qualified with the number one applicant appointed to the position. Applicants remain qualified for six years. Other general requirements include a physical examination including a back exam, talking on the telephone, in person and on the mobile radio; listening on the telephone in person and on the mobile radio; near and far vision for driving a vehicle; color vision (works with multi-color coded wires); handling and figuring in the use of power and hand tools; crouching, stooping, reaching, twisting, turning and balancing; lifting, carrying, pulling and pushing items in excess of 20 pounds; use of a keyboard; and must be able to obtain and retain CDL and first aid/CPR Card.

#### B. <u>Affirmative Action Plan:</u>

- 1. Appropriate action to ensure that the recruitment, selection, employment, and training of apprentices during apprenticeship shall be without discrimination. This includes general publication of apprenticeship opportunities and advantages in advertisements, industry reports, articles, and annual reports; and for career counseling and development of reasonable procedures between the sponsor and the employers of apprentices to ensure that equal employment opportunity is being granted.
- 2. Granting advance standing or credit on the basis of previously acquired experience, training, skills or aptitude for all applicants equally.

#### 4. TERM OF APPRENTICESHIP:

The term of apprenticeship shall be for not less than three (3) years or 6000 hours of reasonably continuous employment for Metermen and Station Electrician. The term for Journeyman Linemen is three and one-half (3.5) years or 7000 hours.

#### 5. PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

All apprentices employed in accordance with these standards shall be subject to a probationary period not exceeding the first 500 hours of employment.

#### 6. RATIO OF APPRENTICES:

There shall not be more than one (1) apprentice to every crew of from two (2) to six (6) journeymen; Provided, however, upon recommendation of the Apprenticeship Committee, the ratio will be altered for specific training purposes.

#### 7. WAGE PROGRESSION:

Apprentice Linemen shall be paid on the following percentage basis, in accordance with WAC 296-04-270(2)(c).

lst 6 months	72.0% of Journeyman wage
2nd 6 months	74.1% of Journeyman wage
3rd 6 months	76.0% of Journeyman wage
4th 6 months	78.9% of Journeyman wage
5th 6 months	82.7% of Journeyman wage
6th 6 months	91.3% of Journeyman wage
7th 6 months	94.0% of Journeyman wage

Apprentice Meterman and Station Electrician shall be paid on the following percentage basis, in accordance with WAC 296-04-270(2)(c).

1st 6 months 72.0% of Journeyman wage

2nd 6 months	74.1% of Journeyman wage
3rd 6 months	76.0% of Journeyman wage
4th 6 months	78.9% of Journeyman wage
5th 6 months	82.7% of Journeyman wage
6th 6 months	91.3% of Journeyman wage

#### 8. WORK PROCESSES:

The apprentice shall be given an opportunity during the period of apprenticeship by actual work experience to acquire all the knowledge and skill necessary to qualify as a journeyman. The following outline of work experience is to be used as a guide in the training of apprentices:

		TOTAL HOURS:	7000
	7.	Conductors and insulators, switches and cutouts and other protective devices	2000
	6.	Rotation and phasing	200
	5.	Transformers	1000
	4.	Poles, arms and guys	2000
	3.	Safety meeting, care and inspection of safety equipment	300
	2.	Service drops and meters	500
	1.	Introduction to Linemen Apprenticeship climbing, personal tools, and safety apparel	1000
A.	Linen	<u>D.O.T. #821.261-014</u>	<u>Hours</u>

ALL OF THE FOREGOING WORK EXPERIENCE AS HEREIN NOTED IS UNDERSTOOD TO MEAN AS IT PERTAINS TO THE TRADE HEREIN INVOLVED IN THESE STANDARDS.

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B.	Metern	<u>D.O.T. #729.281-014</u>	<u>Hours</u>
	1.	Numbering, testing and calibrating watt-hour meters	1500
	2.	Entering meter test data on required forms and reports	200
	3.	Testing voltmeters and other electrical instruments	500
	4.	Repairing, reconstructing, cleaning and painting electrical meters	1500
	5.	Wiring and checking of meter installation	500
	6.	Testing meters on customers' premises	400
	7.	Investigating customers' complaints	400
	8.	Checking loads and demands	300
	9.	Installing and removing meters	200
	10.	Maintenance of demand measurement devices and reading meters, resetting demand registers and changing demand charts	500
		TOTAL HOURS:	6000

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C.	Station	<u>D.O.T. #829.281-014</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
	1.	National, state and district codes	50
	2.	Safety meetings, inspection and care of safety equipment	100
	3.	Laying out construction work from blueprints	150
	4.	Wiring and testing of batteries, battery chargers, control meter and relay circuits and equipment	1100
	5.	Installation, adjustment, repair and maintenance of power switching equipment	1500
	6.	Installation and maintenance of transformers and voltage regulators and accessory equipment	1300
	7.	Inspection and maintenance of rotating equipment, including motors and generators	600
	8.	Shop repair of electrical equipment, including rigging and handling	500
	9.	Power wiring and bus-bar installation	300
	10.	Welding: Gas, electric, heliarc	400
		TOTAL HOURS:	6000

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#### 9. RELATED/SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION:

- A. Each apprentice shall enroll in and attend classes in subjects related to this trade, as approved by the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, for a minimum of 144 hours per year.
- B. The methods of related/supplemental training shall consist of one or more of the following:
  - () Supervised field trips
  - (X) Approved training seminars
  - () A combination of home study and approved correspondence courses
  - () Technical college
  - (X) Community college
  - () Training trust
  - (X) Other (specify): Camp Rilea for Linemen, Meterman classes at Chelan PUD, NW Meter School for Meterman, and WSU Hands On School for Metermen.
- C. Hours <u>144</u>
- D. Satisfactory progress must be maintained in related training classes. (See Section 10, Administrative/Disciplinary Procedures.)
- E. See Foreword Section (same title).
- F. The Apprenticeship Committee recommends that the courses for the apprentices be limited to those who are actually apprentices to the trade in accordance with these Standards.
- 10. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE/DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES:</u> (None)
- 11. <u>COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEE AND ALTERNATES:</u>

The Apprenticeship Committee shall be composed of two (2) members each from management and labor representing their respective organizations, and selected from the groups they represent. The Business Representative of Local No. 77, I.B.E.W., will serve as ex-officio member without vote.

The Employer Representatives Shall Be:

Bryan Coyne, Secretary Harlan Scherer PO Box 6270 PO Box 6270

Kennewick, WA 99336 Kennewick, WA 99336

#### The Employee Representatives Shall Be:

Richard Wood, Chairman William Perry PO Box 6270 PO Box 6270

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- 12. SUBCOMMITTEE: (None)
- 13. TRAINING DIRECTOR/COORDINATOR: (None)